*Consent to Participate in a Research Study*

*Missouri State University*

*Department of Psychology*

**Survey Judgments Using an Online Survey Method**

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**Introduction**

You have been asked to participate in this research study by a faculty member or a graduate student in the Psychology department at Missouri State University. Before you agree to participate in this study, it is important that you read about and understand the study and the procedures it involves. If you have any questions about the study or your role in it, be sure to ask the investigator. If you have more questions at a later time, Dr. Erin Buchanan will be happy to answer them for you. You may contact the investigator at:

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You will need to click the button below to give us your permission to be involved in the study. Taking part in this study is entirely your choice. If you decide to take part, but later change your mind, you may stop at any time. If you decide to stop, you do not have to give a reason and there will be no negative consequences for ending your participation.

**Purpose of this Study**

The reason for this study is to examine the judgments and responses from taking a short survey, using an online approach to complete the survey.

**What does your participation in the study involve?**

You will be asked to simply take a short survey once. You will be asked to read each question and respond appropriately. The entire study will likely last 5 minutes or less. To protect your privacy, we will not collect any personally identifying information and you do not have to answer any question you do not want to answer.

**What are the possible risks of participating in this study?**

The estimated risks of this study are minimal. At most, you may find the task at hand repetitive. If you consent to participate in this study, you are free to stop your participation in the study at any time without prejudice or penalty, and you can skip any questions you don’t want to answer.

**What are the possible benefits of participating in this study?**

Your participation in this research will help researchers explore differences between participants when it comes to beliefs about common themes. You will also be compensated for your participation.

**How will my privacy be protected?**

All data you provide in this experiment will be completely anonymous. We will not ask for any personally identifying information at any time.

**Consent to Participate**

If you want to participate in this study you are required to click below as an indication of your willingness to participate:

I have read and understand the information in this form. I have been encouraged to ask questions and all of my questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I have also been informed that I can withdraw from the study at any time. By clicking below, I voluntarily agree to participate in this study.